STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of MELISSA WEBSTER, TRAVIS WEBSTER and TREVOR WEBSTER, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

          Petitioner-Appellee,

v

TINA LAST and LYLE WEBSTER,

          Respondents-Appellants.

Before: Fitzgerald, P.J., and Neff and Smolenski, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondents appeal as of right from a family court order terminating their parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g) and (j). We affirm.

We are satisfied from our review of the record that the trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I), *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondents failed to show that termination of their parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith,* 222 Mich App 470, 473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondents parental rights to the children.

There is clear and convincing evidence to support the court's conclusion that respondents could not provide proper care or custody for the children within a reasonable time considering the children's ages, and that there is a reasonable likelihood that the children will be harmed if returned to the home of either parent. MCL 712A.19b(3)(g)and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g) and (j). Respondent Webster failed to rectify his problems of violence and abuse suffered by the children. Although respondent Last made strides in addressing the issue of domestic violence and other problems in her life, the children have serious behavioral problems and special needs that cannot conceivably be handled

effectively by respondent Last. *In re Boursaw*, 239 Mich App 161, 175-176; 607 NW2d 408 (1999).

      Affirmed.

/s/ E. Thomas Fitzgerald
/s/ Janet T. Neff
/s/ Michael R. Smolenski